

October 4, 2016

**BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING
DOCKET NUMBER E-22305**

JACKSON COUNTY

Central Iowa Power Cooperative (CIPCO or Petitioner), a public utility with its principal place of business at 1400 Highway 13 SE, PO Box 2517, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406, is proposing to build an electric transmission line in Clinton and Jackson Counties that will be capable of operating at 69,000 volts in the Maquoketa, Iowa area. This notice relates to the portion of the line to be located in Jackson County. The need for the line was determined as a result of planning studies in the area. This line has been approved in the 2017 construction work plan. The result of this new line will be more reliable service to the consumer members in the area. The electric transmission line is proposed to be constructed along the route described below and depicted on the enclosed map. It would be constructed on single pole structures on public and private property. CIPCO will seek easement rights from landowners for the proposed electric transmission line. The easement width requested will generally be a Twenty (20) foot wide strip of land either side of the centerline of the proposed transmission line.

In accordance with the Iowa Code, an Informational Meeting concerning this project will be held at the following time and location:

5:30 P.M. on November 3, 2016

Clinton Community College Maquoketa Center
501 W. Washington Street
Maquoketa, IA

Persons with disabilities requiring assistive services or devices to observe or participate should contact the Utilities Board at (515) 725-7300 in advance of the scheduled date to request that appropriate arrangements be made.

As a landowner or a party in possession of, or residing on property, affected by the location and construction of said electric transmission line, you have the right to be present at the Informational Meeting mentioned above.

You also have the right to file with the Iowa Utilities Board, 1375 E. Court Ave., Room 69, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0069, objections to the location and construction of the proposed electric transmission line as described.

A representative of the Iowa Utilities Board (Utilities Board) will preside over this Informational Meeting and will distribute and review a statement of the legal rights of landowners as required by law. Qualified representatives of CIPCO will also be at the meeting to discuss the project and answer your questions.

The notification corridor and the proposed route for the transmission line are shown on the enclosed map, which is made a part of this notification by reference. The route is generally described as follows:

Beginning at an interconnection point with an existing Central Iowa Power Cooperative 69 kV transmission line (the line to which the franchised line is interconnecting extends west to the Maquoketa Substation located in Section Twenty-six (26), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East of the 5th P.M., Jackson County, Iowa , which is the Ultimate West Terminus) located in private right-of-way near the Northeast Quarter Corner of Section Thirty (30), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East of the 5th P.M., Jackson County, Iowa; thence Southerly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the westerly right-of-way of 317th Avenue to a point located in the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of said Section Thirty (30) approximately Twenty-eight hundredths (0.28) of a mile; thence Easterly in public right-of-way crossing 317th Avenue to a point in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the easterly right-of-way of said 317th Avenue located in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Two hundredths (0.02) of a mile; thence Southerly in private right parallel and adjacent to the easterly right-of-way of said 317th Avenue to a point in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Nine hundredths (0.09) of a mile; thence Easterly in private right-of-way along an existing farm drive (abandoned county road) to a point located in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Eight hundredths (0.08) of a mile; thence Southeasterly in private right-of-way along an existing farm drive (abandoned county road) to a point located in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Nine hundredths (0.09) of a mile; thence Southeasterly in public right-of-way crossing State Highway 64 to a point located in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Three hundredths (0.03) of a mile; thence Southeasterly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the westerly right-of-way of 320th Avenue to a point located in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Eight hundredths (0.08) of a mile; thence southerly in private right-of-way to the north public right-of-way line of 12th Street in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Thirty-two (32), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately One and Twenty-seven hundredths miles (1.27); thence southerly in public right-of-way crossing 12th Street to a point in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Thirty-two (32), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Two hundredths (0.02) of a mile; thence southerly in private right-of-way to a point near the South line of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section

Thirty-two (32), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Nineteen hundredths (0.19) of a mile; thence westerly in private right-of-way along the South line of said Southwest Quarter (Jackson/Clinton County line) to a point in private right-of-way near the Southwest Quarter Corner of Section Thirty-two (32), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Twenty-two hundredths (0.22) of a mile.

(2.37 miles total)

Under Iowa law, CIPCO is not allowed to negotiate easements prior to the Informational Meeting. Following the meeting, right-of-way personnel from CIPCO will begin contacting landowners to negotiate voluntary easements. Later, CIPCO will file a petition for an electric transmission line franchise with the Utilities Board for permission to build and operate the electric transmission line. The Utilities Board will determine if the proposed electric transmission line promotes the public convenience and necessity and meets all other applicable Utilities Board rules and requirements of Iowa law. After the Utilities Board has reviewed the petition for Franchise it may conduct a public hearing and landowners have a right to participate in the hearing process. Notice of a public hearing will be published in a Jackson County newspaper with county wide circulation.

There is the possibility that right-of-way may be acquired by condemnation if approved by the Utilities Board. At this time, the petitioner does not have the right of eminent domain. If eminent domain is requested by the petitioner, the request will be considered at the public hearing conducted by the Utilities Board and the petitioner must show that property is needed to serve a public use. If the petitioner requests the right of eminent domain a notice of the public hearing will be sent by return receipt mail to all affected landowners in addition to the notice being published in a Jackson County newspaper with county wide circulation.

CIPCO looks forward to discussing this project in more detail with you at the Informational Meeting. For more information regarding the Informational Meeting, please contact me at the phone number below.

If you are unable to attend the meeting in Jackson County, an additional meeting will be held in Clinton County at 2:00 P.M. on November 3, 2016, at the Charlotte Area Activity Center located at 115 1st Street/Highway 136, Charlotte, IA. You are welcome to attend the Clinton County meeting to obtain information about this multi-county project.

In the event of inclement weather, determined by the cancellation or early dismissal of school/classes in the Maquoketa school District due to weather on the date of the Informational meeting, the meeting will be held on November 10, 2016, at the same time and location.

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Enclosures
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